

CONNECT *with* GOD



A YEAR OF
ENCOUNTERS & VISITATIONS
2026

7 DAYS *of*
EXPRESSION



Daily Encounter Guide

Daily Encounters are the greatest way to spiritually grow as a disciple of Jesus.

God invites us to meet with Him daily. Just as Israel gathered manna every morning, God teaches us to live in daily dependence, obedience, and intimacy with Him. Daily Encounters are daily discipleship. A disciple is someone who follows Jesus, obeys Him, and builds their life around Him every day. Discipleship is formed through repetition, obedience, intimacy, and trust, not information alone.

1. SET AN APPOINTMENT WITH GOD

Daily encounters begin with intention.

- Choose a **daily time**
- Choose a **daily place**
- Remove distractions
- Expect resistance, and show up anyway

Have an appointment with the Lord every day.

2. WELCOME THE HOLY SPIRIT

Begin by inviting God's presence. Pray:

- "Holy Spirit, You are welcome here."
- "No spirit but the Holy Spirit is welcome."
- "Give me ears to hear."
- "Teach me."
- "Speak, Lord."

3. WORSHIP

Minister to God's heart before asking for anything.

- Play worship music
- Sing, speak, or sit in reverence
- Thank God for who He is. (Ps. 110:4)

4. PRAY THE LORD'S PRAYER

Jesus gave us a daily prayer framework.

Pray slowly and intentionally:

- **"Our Father in heaven..."**
Declare God's holiness.
- **"Your Kingdom come, Your will be done..."**
Surrender your will to His.
- **"Give us this day our daily bread..."**
Ask God for what you need today.
- **"Forgive us our debts..."**
Repent and receive grace.
- **"As we forgive our debtors..."**
Forgive people by name.
- **"Lead us not into temptation..."**
Ask for strength and protection.
- **"Deliver us from evil..."**
Declare victory in Christ.

5. PERSONAL PRAYER LIST

Pray intentionally for:

- Yourself
- Your family
- Your friends
- Your workplace
- Your city
- Your church & leaders
- The Peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6)
- + Add your own

6. READ THE WORD (DAILY BREAD)

God's Word was meant to be encountered daily, not occasionally.

Suggested Reading Plans:

- **15-Minute Plan**
1 Psalm, 1 Proverb, 1 Gospel
- **30-Minute Plan**
1 Psalm, 1 Proverb, 1 Gospel,
1 Old Testament, 1 New Testament,
1 Revelation

7. GIVE GOD ROOM TO SPEAK

Slow down. Listen. Pray:

- "Speak, Lord. Your servant is listening."
- Be still
- Write down what you sense
- Pay attention to Scripture, impressions, or the conviction of the Holy Spirit.

8. ASK HIM TO TEACH YOU HIS WAYS

God desires to form you, not just inform you. Pray:

- "Teach me Your ways."
- "I want what You want, show me what You want."
- Repeat what God says out loud.
- Obey what He reveals.

9. CLOSE WITH THE PRAYER OF ENCOUNTERS

PRAYER *of* ENCOUNTERS

This is where I tell You... I love You, I love You, I love You!

This is where I tell You... You're Holy, You're Holy, You're Holy!

This is where I tell You... Thank You, thank You, thank You!

This is where I tell You... I need You, I need You, I need You!

This is where I tell You... Speak Lord, Your servant is listening!

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HEBREW:

- **(bara)** to create, bring into existence
- **(mela-kah)** work, craftsmanship, skilled labor, commissioned task

GREEK:

- (κτίζω – **ktízō**) to create, establish, bring into existence
- (δημιουργός – **dēmiourgos**) creator, builder, craftsman, architect

EXPRESSION IN THE BIBLE

Building / Architecture

- Bezalel and Oholiab built the Tabernacle (*Exodus 31; 35–39*).
- Solomon built the Temple (*1 Kings 5–8*).
- Noah built the Ark (*Genesis 6*).
- Nehemiah rebuilt Jerusalem's walls (*Nehemiah 2–6*).

Music

- David wrote songs and played music to the Lord (*Psalms; 1 Samuel 16*).
- The sons of Asaph prophesied through music (*1 Chronicles 25*).

Dance

- David danced before the Lord (*2 Samuel 6:14*).
- Miriam led Israel in dance after deliverance (*Exodus 15:20*).

Writing

- Moses wrote the Law (*Exodus 24:4*).
- Habakkuk wrote the vision (*Habakkuk 2:2*).
- Paul wrote letters to the Church (*Romans*).
- John recorded Revelation (*Revelation 1:1*).

Craftsmanship / Design

- The women wove garments for the Tabernacle (*Exodus 35:25–26*).
- Hiram crafted bronze works for the Temple (*1 Kings 7*).

Innovation / Strategy

- Joseph designed a food storage system (*Genesis 41*).
- Moses established leadership structure (*Exodus 18*).
- Joshua implemented battle strategy (*Joshua 6*).

WHO IS CALLED TO CREATE?

God is the Creator. (*Genesis 1:1*)

Humanity is created in His image.
(*Genesis 1:26*)

Everyone is created to create.

Creativity originates from God and reflects His nature.

Created *to* Create



DAY 1



In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. Creation begins with God. When you create, you reflect the image of your Creator. Expression reminds you that you were designed to participate in God's creative work.

Create with God today. Invite Him into your work, your creativity, and your imagination. Ask Him what He desires you to build or express.

GENESIS 1:1-2; GENESIS 1:26

PRAYER

"Lord, thank You for creating me in Your image. Lead me to create with You."

PRACTICAL *Advice*

Thank God for creating you.

Create something today with God in mind.

Ask God how your creativity can honor Him.

Expression *Reflects* God



DAY 2



When you create with God, your creativity reflects His nature. Expression becomes a mirror of the Creator. What you build, write, design, or share can reflect His nature and character.

Ask yourself whether what you create reflects the heart of God. Let your creativity point people toward Him.

EXODUS 31:1-5

PRAYER

“Lord, I surrender my creativity to You. May it reflect Your nature.”

PRACTICAL *Advice*

Evaluate whether your current expressions honor God.

Ask the Holy Spirit what you should create today.

Share with someone your creative expression today.

Expression *is*
Communion *with* God

ENCOUNTERS
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DAY 3



God invited Israel to build the Tabernacle so that He could dwell among them. Creation became a place for encounter. When you create with God, you commune with Him.

Invite God into your creative process. Whether you write, build, cook, design, or innovate, let the process become a moment of communion with the Lord.

EXODUS 25:8-9

PRAYER

“Lord, meet me as I create.
Come encounter me
through my work.”

PRACTICAL *Advice*

Welcome the Holy Spirit
before you start creating
something.

Ask the Holy Spirit for
ideas and inspiration.

Pause throughout the
process to thank God.

Expression *is* Spiritual

DAY 4



Every creation has a source. What you create can come from the flesh, from demonic influence, or from the Holy Spirit. Expression that honors God must be led by His Spirit.

Invite the Holy Spirit to guide your creativity. Allow Him to shape your ideas and direct your work.

**ROMANS 8:14;
1 CORINTHIANS 2:12**



PRAYER

“Holy Spirit, lead what I create and guide my imagination.”



PRACTICAL *Advice*

Pray in the Spirit as you create today.

Ask the Holy Spirit throughout the process, “Does this please You?”

Remove anything from your creativity that does not honor God.

Offer *what*
You Have



DAY 5



The people of Israel brought their resources and skills to build the Tabernacle. They offered their gold, their craftsmanship, and their abilities. God used what they gave to create a dwelling place for His presence.

Offer your skills, time, and resources to God. What you bring may seem small, but God can use it for His glory.

EXODUS 35:5; EXODUS 35:21-29

PRAYER

“Lord, my creations belong to You. May You alone be glorified through it all..”

PRACTICAL *Advice*

Ask God how He wants to use what you have.

Play worship or Scripture in the background as you create.

Offer your skill or talent to serve someone this week.

Create *in* Obedience



DAY 6



The people built the Tabernacle exactly as the Lord commanded. Their obedience invited God's blessing. Creativity becomes powerful when it is aligned with God's instruction.

Create faithfully and obediently. Whether you are building something for people or something God specifically asked you to do, work with excellence and devotion.

**EXODUS 39:42-43;
COLOSSIANS 3:23-24**



PRAYER

"Lord, I work unto You.
Lead me to find Your
pleasure through what I
create."



PRACTICAL *Advice*

Complete a task God has
asked of you.

Do your work today as an
offering to God.

Share with someone how
you have encountered
God through expression.

Dedicate
what You Create



DAY 7



After the Tabernacle was completed, it was consecrated and dedicated to the Lord. Dedication transforms ordinary work into something set apart for God. Offer what you create back to Him. Dedicate your work, projects, and creativity to the Lord.

**EXODUS 40:9;
EXODUS 40:33-38**

PRAYER

“Lord, I dedicate my craft to You.”

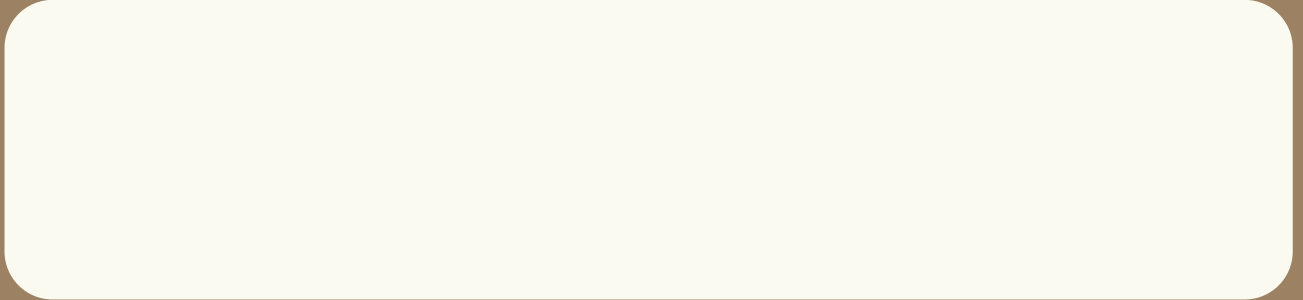
PRACTICAL
Advice

Pray over something you have created.

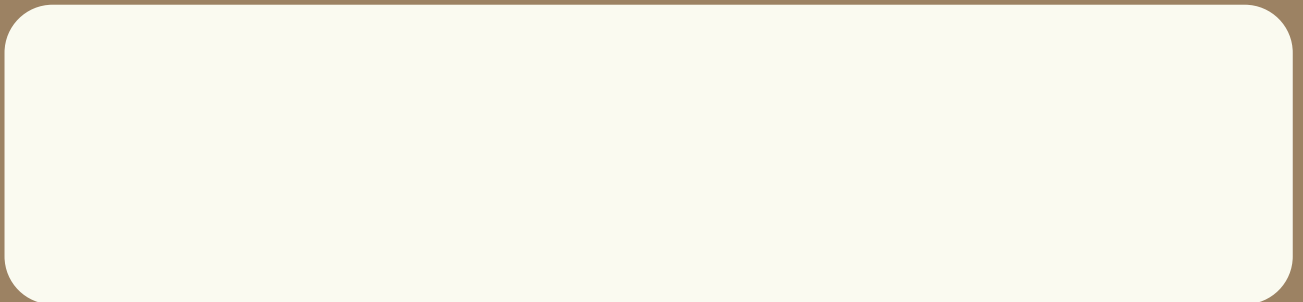
Dedicate your work to God today.

Ask God to use it to encounter people.

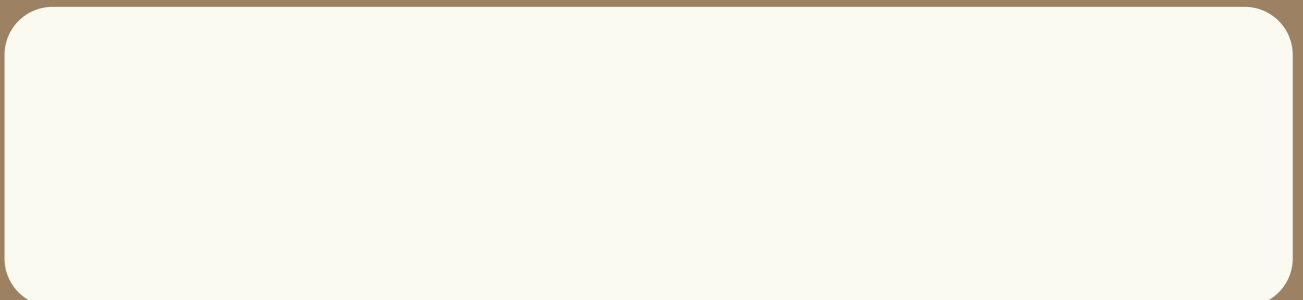
What has God invited me to create with Him?



How have I encountered God through expression this week?



What gifts or skills has God given me that I can offer to Him?



Is what I create reflecting the heart of God?

How will I continue creating with God?



THIS IS *Holy* GROUND